(ii) Increasing Compensation Package for Sterilization was introduced in Oct'06 and the payment to accredited private providers has been increased markedly from Rs. 400 to Rs. 800 in 8 EAG States and, Rs. 100 per case if private doctors perform sterilisation in public institutions in both EAG and non-EAG States provide services.

(iii) Specific action points/strategies have been incorporated in the States project Implementation Plans (PIPs) under NRHM from current year to address the upgradation of Family Planning Services and increase the number of providers.

Making CGHS user friendly

1447. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that notwithstanding Government's resolve to make CGHS user friendly the position in CGHS dispensaries in Delhi., particularly in outlying areas, is far from satisfactory in so far as cleanliness of toilets, other that those for staff and other services are concerned;

(b) whether Government are aware that there is hardly any surprise visits by senior officers to check the attendance of doctors and staff and for the availability of medicines in time; and

(c) whether Government would ensure periodical check and visits of the dispensaries to ensure satisfactory services to the users?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) Surprise inspections of dispensaries are carried out by officers from the Ministry and the CGHS to check punctuality of doctors and staff, cleanliness, etc. wherever doctors and/or staff were not found to be late in attending to their work in their respective dispensaries, Memoranda have been issued cautioning them to be punctual in attending to their duties.

CGHS has accepted, in principle, the recommendation of Staff Inspection Unit of the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance to outsource sanitation/ cleaning work in dispensaries and will be implemented gradually, as and when posts of safai karamcharies start falling vacant. All India CGHS Employees Association has, however, opposed outsourcing of sanitation/cleaning work in dispensaries and have threatened to proceed on strike.

AIDS affected children and their education

†1448. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an estimate of number of children aged between 4 to 15 suffering from HIV/AIDS, has been made;

(b) if so, the details of the number, State-wise;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.